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The Circuit Writer

Here's the second kick-off of the Georgia Athletic Coaches Association. Don't be too rough with it, the ink, like that on the association's by-laws, has barely dried.

THE FIRST kick-off was a long, booming end over end effort that traveled over the end zone and landed in the laps of a football hungry crowd, which took it and liked it, despite temperatures that jammed the mercury into the nineties. It was the All-Star football game between the North and South Georgia Prep players in August that 7,000 fans applauded as the first big event sponsored by the Coaches Association. A clinic, which was a study of football, track and basketball, was held in connection with the football game, or vice versa, for the benefit of prep and high school coaches.

THE CLINIC and the All-Star game cemented the coaches of Georgia into a fraternal unit, which already has given birth to additional ideas, one of which is THE GEORGIA COACH & ATHLETE. The association officers and membership, which it is hoped ultimately will include every coach in the state, saw the need of an official medium in which they could publish their expressions and invite others to do likewise.

THE MAGAZINE will be published monthly as the official organ of the Coaches Association and the Georgia Football Officials Association. It is your magazine, whether you're a fan, a coach, an official or an athlete, and holds its columns open to the expressions of readers for or against its policies.

IT SHALL be the purpose of the magazine to promote the interests of sports in the state as they affect the coach, player and spectator. The Association believes that the publication will not only fill a technical need, but will serve to keep the public in closer contact with the inside of its machinery and with the various athletic teams of the state.

ATTENTION of the magazine naturally will be centered on what might be called the "winner" or the "victor". But no team which warrants reader interest will be purposely overlooked in its columns. The same policy applies to individuals and to sports subjects.

THE GEORGIA COACH & ATHLETE is a magazine that champions the cause of the little as well as the big; it serves the underdog as well as the favorite.

WHAT MIGHT be called a new era in Georgia football was spawned at the All-Star game and coaches clinic. The magazine is designed to do its share toward keeping Georgia's sporting population abreast of the times.

First Year Man---What I Expect a Yearling Football Player to Know About the Game

By W. A. ALEXANDER

"How much football does a freshman know when he gets to college?" or "What do you expect of a first-year man?"

Those questions have often been put up to most coaches over the country.

Well, the answers, of course, depend upon the player in question and the circumstances surrounding his training. Some boys know most of the fundamentals of the game and are ready for their polishing when they report for college practice.

Others have learned part of the game, and in some instances there are candidates who have played in high school and in prep school, but who get by without absorbing anything which proves of value in their quest of jobs on a college team.

It's just like mathematics. The apt student learns the answers and knows how to apply them. The less equipped student doesn't.

Nowadays it is next to impossible for a player to break into a college line-up without first having performed for his prep school eleven. Therefore there are certain things about the game that I expect a first year man to know.

FIRST OF all, he must know how to hold the ball. That sounds simple, but did you know that fewer than 25 out of 50 freshmen candidates at most colleges report for their first drills with a thorough knowledge of how to hold the ball? I have had several highly-touted backs come to Georgia Tech and have been amazed to see that they hadn't perfected this first requisite. They went into action lugging the ball as if it were a watermelon.

It took only a few hard tackles, which sent the ball squirting out of their hands, to teach them this first simple lesson. Too many boys are willing to haul the ball along with one hand, with a loose grip, allowing the ball to hang down by their sides. This might click in some of the slower high school leagues, but it means nothing but grief in faster competition.

The second test that a freshman must meet is falling on the ball. Time after time and year after year I see fellows falling AFTER the ball instead of AROUND the ball.

One of the first things that I teach my players is to fall around the ball, not reach out after it. This latter method of recovery is successful only when Lady Luck is with you. It is always a risky trial and

Here is a veteran coach's discussion of the first-year football player, and what a freshman candidate should know when he reports as a college team candidate.

William A. Alexander is dean of the Southeastern Conference coaches. He has been on the Georgia Tech staff for 25 years, since his graduation in 1912, and has been head coach for 19 years. Alexander played guard on the Tech scrubs for four years while in school and was chosen as assistant coach by John W. Heisman as soon as his scholastic and athletic tenure was ended.

Alex, as he is known to his thousands of friends, was president of the National Football Coaches Association at one time and has been a valued member of the rules committee for many years.

gives your opponent an even chance to beat you to a loose ball.

Then there is the matter of picking up the ball. Backs, particularly, should know this trick. Ball-carriers often fumble the snap from center and find themselves scrambling for the ball on the grass. Even the best and safest ball-handler will muff sometime, but if he has learned the art of picking up the ball, or scooping it up, he will save many a loss. Linemen, too, should know how to pick up a ball. It is highly important that they be able to handle fumbles, although they don't get as many opportunities as do backfield men.

A lineman reporting for duty in college should know something about stance. It should not be necessary to go back and teach him to keep his feet wide apart, his head up and his hips low. However, we find that newcomers often relax and forget about their stance. Progress is slow with boys who have not learned the first steps in offensive charging.

It is just as important that backs also know how to assume stances for different plays. There are three stances that ball-carriers and blocking backs should know, namely, starting from a crouch, from an erect position and from a semi-erect position.

One of the most glaring faults that freshmen have is brought out in the opening dummy tackling drill. We often have fellows who don't like to tackle. They can't make the grade until they learn how to tackle (1) head on, (2) from the side, and (3) from the rear. The fancy-step-

ping halfback who can't tackle is a type that has gone with the development of the game.

SEVERAL YEARS ago I had a back at Tech who could do everything with the ball. He was a sensation and had a brilliant career ahead, but he had never been called on to tackle in high school and he wouldn't learn it on Grant Field. This cost him his place on the team, because we were not strong enough to get by with just 10 men on defense.

Blocking is an art that few high school men learn. Most of them know how to lunge and how to get power in their lunges, but they have not developed enough footwork to enable them to get the desired results. There are exceptions, however, and I have seen some freshmen who knew the essentials of both shoulder-blocking and body-blocking.

Stumpy Thomason, for instance, was a polished blocker when he entered Tech. He was a vicious blocker and his ball-carrying ability was all that any coach could ask. Too, he was a great tackler. Thomason and Roy (Father) Lumpkin were perhaps the greatest two first-year backs that ever came to Tech.

They could do everything and do it right. They were natural athletes and could have stepped into varsity jobs the first day they put on their rat caps. All they asked was to be turned loose.

Once in a while there comes along a natural athlete without previous football experience and who crashes into a varsity line-up. I have in mind Frank Waddey, of Memphis, who became a great end, reaching his peak in 1928, Tech's Rose Bowl year. Waddey had never played football until he came to Tech. He was a good physical specimen and made the grade through work and willingness to take hard knocks. Hank Bjorkman, who was on our coaching staff, brought Waddey along with careful teaching.

Ed Crowley, of Watkinsville, Ga., and captain of the 1927 team, was another player who gained stardom without the benefit of high school training. So did Papa Hood, a tackle and teammate of Waddey and Crowley.

EVERETT STRUPPER, who became the greatest broken field runner Tech ever had, was a scrub his first year. He had

played at Stone Mountain and at Riverside, but not until after he had gone through a rigorous training session in track did he reach the height of effectiveness that made him a feared runner. Strupper never stopped training, even going so far as to leap and sidestep alley trash cans on a route which he elected to travel to and from work during the summer.

Buck Flowers had mastered the technique of football before he ever put on a Jacket uniform. He was the most polished player from a standpoint of technique, that has ever come my way. A superb punter and drop-kicker, he knew all the dodges that any great back should know. He had the most effective stiff arm that any Tech player has ever shown me.

Pup Phillips, who was a fullback in high school, was one of the finest natural linemen I ever have seen. He was switched

from the backfield to center and was a star at Tech overnight.

Another finished football player to come to Tech was Doug Wycoff. He came to us as a tackle and when we changed him to the backfield because of our great lack of ball carriers it may be that we wrote finish to what would have been the finest career as a tackle in the school's history.

I don't know of any other man I ever handled who was more superbly equipped for line play. Wycoff was big, smart, active, rugged and determined. He could handle his 200 pounds with all the speed and grace of a ballet dancer. His natural aptitude for footwork was shown when in his first year he was one of the outstanding fullbacks in the conference. He was a great passer and punter, right from the start, due probably to the fact that he had always handled a football in every way

it could be handled. He liked to throw it and kick it and with his superb muscular control and natural sense of timing it all was amazingly easy for him.

Wycoff was the one player of my recollection who I believe could have been prepared in a week or less to play any position on the team as well as any other man we had on it. His unusual intelligence coupled with his rare football instinct gave him an inherent knowledge of everything an end, tackle, guard, center or backfield man had to do. This was what made him such a fine captain and field general. It made him a coach on the football field, because his instinctive knowledge of what made the difference between strong or weak man at every position enabled him to spot the opposition's weaknesses.

THESE BOYS were exceptions, though,

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Coach W. A. Alexander talks to a group of Southern All-Stars

Punter vs. Kicker

A Comparison of Kicking Types and Their Profits

By JOEL HUNT

A kick spirals into the air and seems to momentarily hang on a cloud before heading back down. It goes sixty yards down field. You hear the crowd gasp. You see the safety man haul the ball in on the run and a moment later you hear the crowd gasp again. The safety man has run the ball back for a touchdown.

The woods are full of KICKERS—big fellows with big feet who can propel the ball high and wide, but PUNTERS are nearly as scarce as touchdowns in a scoreless ball game. A kicker has power and distance, but he's just like a screwball southpaw with the bases loaded. He has no control, which means that he's just out there booting that ball and hoping it'll fall in his favor.

On the other hand, or foot, a punter is an educated kicker who has mastered punting technique and who has learned to use it safely, both as an offensive and defensive weapon. When I say offensive weapon, I mean using the punt to force the opposition to kick back quickly enough to eliminate an attacking play, or scoring effort.

Which gets us down to the answer—PRECISION PUNTING.

A kicker knows nothing about precision punting. He flails the ball for distance or height or both. However, a punter has graduated himself from the kicking class and kicks high or low and long or short, whichever the situation demands. A kicker's returns, or profits, may or may not be to his team's advantage. Except on rare occasions a great punter always gets profit.

LET'S TAKE a specific example. Last year at Baton Rouge, L. S. U. and Texas

were hooked up in a tight game. The field was wet and the ball was soggy. Pinky Rohm, of L. S. U., and Charlie Haas, of Texas, were waging a torrid kicking duel, each getting distance and accuracy. Rohm finally plunked out a beauty on the Texas five. It was the first time that the Longhorns had had their backs to the wall. Haas dropped back behind his goal line and boomed a 65-yard kick up the field and into the darkness above the arc lights. From the L. S. U. bench we could hear the fans oooh in unison. It was a wonderful kick but—

Pinky Rohm, a fine safety man, caught the ball before Haas' ends could cover him.

Rohm swept to a touchdown and that broke the Texans' strong backs. A safety later in the game gave L. S. U. a 9-0 victory. To the spectators that long boot by Haas looked like a great performance. It was, so far as distance was concerned, but look what it did. It cost Texas six points and the game. Haas, caught in a tough spot, had overlooked the danger of kicking to Rohm, who as Texas knew, was likely to get away at any time. Haas might have saved his team by sacrificing distance for precision. By kicking away from Rohm and out of bounds, say at the 45, Haas would have averted this sudden disaster. Instead of the punter he had been, he became a power kicker.

By aiming out of bounds he would have eliminated one attacking play, which resulted in a touchdown in this instance. Kicking to a safety man gives the opposition a scoring chance they would not have from a kick out of bounds. It is never safe to kick to safety men like Rohm and Cafego, of Tennessee.

The greatest punting exhibition that I ever saw, and perhaps as great as there ever has been, or ever will be, was that staged by Sammy Baugh, then of Texas Christian, and Abe Mickal, of L. S. U. It was in the Sugar Bowl game of 1936. Coaches who saw the game were unanimous in hailing the Baugh-Mickal duel as the greatest they'd ever seen. Neither made a mistake all day and the way these boys were changing their sights, you would have called them riflemen. Baugh had a better average in distance because of the positional circumstances of the ball, but Mickal matched him punt for punt.

The Louisiana Syrian got the first advantage with a kick that went out on



Coach Joel Hunt

T. C. U.'s five. Baugh stepped back and kicked out on the Tigers' 45. Mickal retaliated with another thrust that went out of bounds at the Christians' six. Baugh banged it back out at midfield. Both of Baugh's kicks landed hardly more than a yard out of bounds, showing that he was getting the maximum results from his efforts.

On this second boot, Rock Reed, L. S. U. safety, stood just inside the line and tried to pull the ball in, but it tickled his fingertips and bounded away. Baugh's sight was perfect. Those four successive kicks likely have never been matched and might easily be the greatest modern example of perfect punting.

BOTH BAUGH and Mickal were eliminating a scoring play by kicking away from the safety man. And at the same time they got distance. Baugh is still carrying on with the Washington Redskins, while Mickal now is studying at the L. S. U. medical school. He might have enjoyed success in the pro game, just as Baugh, had he chosen to continue football. These boys were not only perfect punters, but the greatest passers I ever saw. Baugh was in a passing league and was exploited. Mickal was not. That was the principal difference in the passing abilities of these backs.

From my first kicking job back in high school, I always have wanted to master the

For over 15 years Joel Hunt, who at 32 is one of the country's outstanding young coaches, has made a study of the kicking game. He was regarded as the best punter in the Southwest when he was at Texas A. & M. This is one of a series of articles on football by the Georgia coach. It gives an unusual observation on the punter as distinguished from the kicker. Other articles by Hunt will appear in these columns at frequent intervals. Hunt, a native Texan, is making his debut as a head coach this season. He came to Georgia from L. S. U., where as backfield coach he helped develop such stars as Abe Mickal, Bill Crass and Pinky Rohm.

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All-Star Game and Clinic Launch New Grid Era

One of the longest single steps the State of Georgia ever made along the upward path in football was taken at Georgia Tech in August when the infant state coaches association, less than a year old, staged its first annual clinic.

Over 200 coaches attended the clinic. Over 50 high school graduates, representing the cream of prep school grid talent of the state, practiced and played for the benefit of the coaches. Seven thousand fans defied 95-degree weather to watch the game between the All-Stars of South Georgia and the All-Stars of North Georgia.

The clinic was a sell-out with the coaches and the game was hailed as a great exhibition, not only by the big crowd which paid \$2,433 for its first taste of 1938 football, but by the press and those most bitter critics, the coaches themselves.

IT WAS NOT the success of the game at the gate that counted most, although this little angle did set at rest the Atlanta business firms and individuals who had underwritten the undertaking to the extent of something over \$100 a throw.

Nor was the big send-off that it gave the football public for the 1938 season its greatest accomplishment.

It was behind the scenes, on the practice field at Rose Bowl Field and in the lecture room at the Tech Armory, that a new era in Georgia football was sprouting.

The classes conducted by Coaches W. A. Alexander, of Tech, and Joel Hunt, of Georgia, and their staffs, were making improved men out of the majority of Georgia's prep and high school gridiron coaches, and of many basketball and track coaches. All three sports were aired by a capable staff of coaches who were donating their services. These classes were supplemented by lectures from other leading college coaches.

Football, being the sport in season, was emphasized, and the All-Star game was the climax of the clinic.

The Northern team, coached by Hunt, won the game, 25-6, after spotting the Southern eleven, headed by Alexander, a touchdown in the first few minutes. From the opening whistle until the last, the All-Stars supplied as much action and brilliant play as would two teams that had been playing as units for a full season.

Coach Rex Enright, of South Carolina, who was observing the teams for the purpose of making a scouting report at a clinic class, was astonished by the performances of both squads. He declared that he



R. L. (Shorty) Doyal, president of the Georgia Athletic Coaches Association.

had not expected the players to execute individual assignments so effectively with such little practice behind them. Major W. H. Britton, of Tennessee, similarly was impressed by the showing of the All-Stars. He also was scouting the game.

Morgan Blake, sports editor of The Atlanta Journal, described the game as a thrilling battle. In his column, Sportanic Eruptions, the day after the game Blake wrote:

"Football fans of this section are grateful to the Georgia Athletic Coaches' Association for inaugurating a most thrilling annual event in Atlanta—a gridiron contest between star prep and high school graduates of South Georgia and North Georgia.

"Despite the intense heat and humidity those young griders Friday evening gave the seven thousand fans at Grant Field a

real treat. This year it happened that the North team had a big edge in backfield speed and power, and the game resulted in a 25-to-6 victory for the red-jersied boys of Joel Hunt. At the game next year the situation may be reversed.

"THE SOUTH HAD one backfield ace in Clarence Welch, of Lanier, whose 80-yard run for a touchdown in the early stages of the game set off the fireworks. The North had in Johnny Bosch, of G. M. A., and Bobby Pair, of Tech High, a couple of fleet-footed and hard runners, who are sure to scintillate on college teams. Jimmy Hilton, of Canton, and Truck Kinsey, of Cornelia, supplied the line bucking punch to cash in on the long runs of Bosch and Pair. And Bill Wingate gave a beautiful exhibition of blocking for the other backs.

"IN OTHER WORDS the North just had too many guns for the South to cope with. We had heard a lot about Bobby Pair and he lived up to his reputation. But the G. M. A. boy, Johnny Bosch, had an inferior team behind him last year and his light was somewhat hid under a bushel. But Friday night he had the fans up on their seats whenever he took the ball. We have never seen a more beautiful exhibition of broken field running than Welch on that 80-yard jaunt, and Bosch, when he broke

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How to Develop a Forward Passing Attack; Running Game Must Be Strong to Get Results

By FRANK THOMAS

In building a forward pass attack, it is equally important that you have a strong running game, as the success of either depends upon the strength of the other.

To stress and build your attack mainly on forward passing without the threat of a strong running attack would not win consistently. Neither will a strong running game win consistently against a team of equal strength if you do not have a sound passing game. By a sound passing game, I do not mean throwing 25 or 30 passes per game. I mean developing your passers and your receivers, your decoying and blocking to a point that in a game, if a pass is called, it will have more than a reasonable chance of being completed. A strong running game makes the completion of passes much easier. When the opponents can set a defense to meet your strength, then you will be at a terrible disadvantage. Be strong in both departments; this can only be gained by each day equally dividing your time on the development of both your passing and running game.

The following four phases of the game developed to a high point of efficiency, are the main factors in having an outstanding passing attack:

1. Passer.
2. Receiving.
3. Blocking.
4. Decoying, or perhaps better, auxiliary receivers.

OF COURSE the most important factor in a passing attack is the development of the passer himself, no matter how good the receivers' blocking and decoying may be. If the passer does not have a sense of timing, the ability to throw the ball accurately with poise, a passing attack will not be very successful. Let's start with the passer receiving a pass from the center on a straight play. As he receives the ball from the center, whether or not he drops straight back or fakes a run and then drops back, he immediately should feel for the laces, placing his fingers on the laces with his hand slightly toward the back half of the ball.

At the same time bringing the ball up to his chest on the right side, this will

make him bend his right elbow, which to me is very essential in passing, as it will make his passing movement short and quick. Of course completing a pass is a matter of split seconds and saving time is valuable. If he takes the ball from center and holds it down low, at arm's length by the side of his leg, it will give him a long motion, which to me is detrimental as a time saver in completing. I would say that only on extremely long passes should the ball be held at the side of the leg. After he gets back in position to throw, most of the weight should be on the right foot with the right knee slightly bent. As he throws from this position, he should step with his left foot directly at the receiver. This gives him balance, which is very important for accuracy and distance.

I find that many inexperienced passers throw by not stepping with the left foot in the direction of the receiver, both feet sometimes on a parallel line, or perhaps the left foot slightly forward. This footwork has a tendency to make him stiff and rigid in the hips, making it impossible to follow through. Consequently the ball often will fall short of the target. Due to effective rushing of the passer, he is not able to get set in this position, but my experience in passing has been that nine times out of ten, the passer has had sufficient protection to get set. Consequently in practice, I stress at all times the position of the feet when throwing.

WHILE THE passer is dropping back or faking a run, he does not want to continue watching the man to whom he is going to throw; nor does he want to lose him from vision at any time. I try to teach my passers to look one way but continue see-



Coach Frank Thomas

ing the receiver out of the corner of his eye, thereby knowing when he breaks and is in the clear. It is important that the passer does not throw his short pass too hard as it is only an exceptional receiver who can catch that type of pass. Neither should they be thrown too soft. I impress it upon them to throw them snappy. The ball thrown this way does not spend much time in the air and is easier to handle.

On the long passes of fifteen yards or more, the ball should be arched, to prohibit interception along the line of flight, and make it possible for the receiver to adjust himself, if the ball is not thrown accurately. I like for my passer to have an overhand motion, throwing from the ear rather than the side arm motion. As he turns the ball loose he should put plenty of wrist in the motion at the end of the follow-through. I stress the follow-through; the short, jerky motion is not effective.

A real passer has poise. He is not apt to throw the ball blindly when rushed. I tell my passers, if they cannot find a loose receiver upon being rushed, to run with the ball rather than throw it blindly and have it intercepted.

Let's take a look at the important phase of timing. A passer, seeing a receiver put on a fake and break away from the defenders, should turn loose immediately, rather than hold the ball, hoping to see his receiver get farther away. Holding the ball is fatal, and it happens daily on

Frank Thomas, generalissimo of Alabama's football team, went to the Capstone in 1931 after Duke's millions had wooed Wallace Wade. His teams have won conference championships three years and played in the Rose Bowl twice, winning from Stanford and losing last year to California. Thomas has long been regarded as an expert on the passing game. The accompanying article, which coaches should find highly instructive, takes you on the inside of an Alabama practice. Thomas will write other articles for the Georgia Coach and Athlete and will coach one of the teams next August in Georgia's second All-Star prep school game.

the practice field and too often in games. The most important part of timing is turning loose at exactly the right time—when a receiver first gets clear. I have noticed that our greatest passers have anticipated just when their receivers were getting in the open, letting them have it at exactly the right instant. Dixie Howell was particularly adept in this art and was true enough with his aim to allow his receivers to keep their stride.

I HAVE noticed the great receivers of forward passes and they always ran with a smooth and easy stride, and were relaxed and under complete control at all times. I also have noticed that the boys who run tensely and at top speed, are the ones who never seemed to be able to catch the ball. The ideal receiver to me is the one who is running at three-quarter speed, has a good fake with his hips and the upper part of his body, and who runs with a smooth, easy, relaxed stride. Running at three-quarter speed has these factors:

1. It has a tendency to make the receiver relaxed.
2. It makes it possible for him to put on a good fake to get away from the defenders.
3. If the ball is overthrown, it leaves him something in reserve, a burst of speed to go get the ball.

I insist that receivers catch the ball in their hands, like a baseball whenever possible, and by practice they become very adept at this. The fingers are the most sensitive and most used parts of the body, therefore, they are better for receiving a pass than the forearms, or the chest.

Of course this does not hold true in the case of a wet, soggy ball. In this case, I think that catching the ball on the chest or in the arms is a bit safer.

The greatest passers in the game do not have much success completing passes with the opposing line charging through upon them. I impress upon my Alabama team the value of good blocking for the passer. I tell them that it is just as important for them to make a good block for the passer as it is to make a good block on the one-yard line. A completed pass may go for a touchdown or a long gain. I have found that the linemen do not take a great deal of pride in blocking for the passer unless it is thoroughly stressed to them. We have a daily practice of blocking for the passer, a pass scrimmage with a full team on defense as well as offense.

DECOYING is one of the hardest parts of football for a coach to put across to receivers. It seems to be a natural inclination, unless you are not going to be on the receiving end of the pass and not in the spot-light, to take things easy and loaf. If you have three or possibly four receivers going down the field and going

through the motions as if they are to receive the ball, you have the defense slightly confused. But if you have a potential receiver running as if he is to receive the ball and the two decoy men jogging along, it is mighty easy for the defense, after a few pass plays, to spot the receiver and help cover him. To get this in practice we have a skeleton backfield and ends on offense against a skeleton backfield and center on the defense, throwing passes. We constantly tell the decoys to act and run like potential receivers. Occasionally we have the passer to overlook the actual receiver and throw to one of the decoys. In this manner you impress upon the decoys that they are an auxiliary receiver, and must constantly look to being in the open to receive in case the actual receiver is being covered.

We have certain drills to develop our forward passing. The first few days of practice, we divide in groups of about ten receivers each. Our prospective passers throw to each group, just cutting in various angles on the field, giving the passer an opportunity to get his arm in condition and working on his steps and accuracy. After about three days of this, our squad's legs are getting in reasonably good shape and we do not have the guards and tackles enter into this work any more, but daily we do start off our practice with this type of work, having backs and ends work together. From then on, we never throw a pass in practice without a man on defense covering the receiver. We will have two halfbacks on defense at a time. The receiver will turn and in a quiet tone of voice, tell the passer whether he is going down faking in and cutting out, or vice versa. The ball is snapped and the potential receiver goes down, makes his fakes and cuts. As soon as he has pulled the defensive man off balance and is in the clear, the passer throws.

WE FIND that this is excellent practice, as it teaches the receivers the art of faking, getting away from the defensive man and catching the ball while being covered. It also gives the passer the practice of throwing to a receiver who is being covered, aiding his timing. Too, it gives the defensive man the much needed practice of covering an eligible receiver. We find that this is an excellent practice in the development of the pass attack. We also put the center and four backfield men on defense with two ends and four backs on offense, throwing all of our passes. In this practice, we stress the respective positions of each receiver. The passer practices his fake of watching the receiver out of the corner of his eye, and giving the ball to the receiver at the proper time. This also affords the secondary defense splendid practice against the pass.



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South Georgia Goes 'Big Time' as Lighted Fields and Keen Rivalry Boom Interest

By LISTON ELKINS

Three years of spirited competition in the South Georgia Football Association, a high school conference that includes the bigwigs of football in the southern half of the state, has lifted interscholastic football from the realm of the mediocre to a "big time" sport.

The SGFA has given rise to an intensified spirit, to steadily mounting attendance and to a greatly improved brand of football.

As the curtain rose on the fourth annual football show in the SGFA, sports scribes were busy with predictions on possible winners, and there was a unanimous forecast for the greatest season South Georgia interscholastic football has ever known. The recent high school football clinic and all-star game have set off the spark that carried South Georgia high schools into opening games with unprecedented vim.

Coach Grant Gillis' Moultrie Packers, who were pitted three times against Waycross' powerful Bulldogs last season before they were able to take a conference championship decision, will have a powerful line upon which to base their hopes to repeat this year.

THE PACKERS were a powerhouse last year. They played Coach B. W. Rushton's Waycross Crimson to a scoreless tie in a regularly scheduled game near the close of the season, and were selected to meet the Bulldogs in a post-season game for the SGFA title. The two teams battled to another scoreless deadlock on the neutral Valdosta field, and it was in a second title match in Albany that the relentless Packers took a decision over the weary Bulldogs.

In their 1938 campaign the Packers will rely on Pete Carlton, fullback; Ivan Wamble, All-SGFA center; and William Jenkins, powerful lineman, as a nucleus. Assisted by Huey Murphy, Gillis unquestionably will have a strong contender in the championship race.

Waycross has a wealth of splendid reserve material out of which should come a fast and effective machine. Paul Brodie, all-conference fullback; Carl Saye, All-SGFA lineman; Herbert Lucas, tackle; Johnny Jones and Jake McKellar, guards, give Coach Rushton and his assistants a

group of veterans around which to fashion a fighting team of Bulldogs.

Incidentally, the Bulldogs have an enlarged coaching staff that will give Head Coach Rushton ample assistance in a well-rounded sports program this year. Marshall O'Rear returns as assistant coach, and the staff includes three new men: Wright Bazemore, of Fitzgerald, former Mercer star; Joe Jardine of Douglas, and J. D. Cherry of Ocilla.

Glynn Academy's champions of two former seasons have new hopes in Brunswick, under the tutelage of S. R. (Red) Adams. James H. Sullivan, former coach at Claxton High, has been added to the instruction staff of the Glynn Red Terrors. Brunswick, as always, will be a definite threat.

EYES OF THE conference are focused on Coach Bobby Hooks' Valdosta Wildcats, a perennial "big team," and it is generally conceded that any club that downs the Wild-

cats will be well on their way to the championship finals. Valdosta wound up last season, after a mediocre start, as one of the fastest and most deceptive teams in the circuit.

Coach Harold McNabb's Albany Indians, with Coaches Hollis Stanford and Rupert Lankford assisting in the instruction program, are on the warpath. Only two regulars return from last year's team, but a generous outlay of reserve material furnishes a live hope for a fighting Albany team.

Observers are looking toward Fitzgerald, where Coach C. G. Hale developed a whirlwind team last year, only to drop his final game to Tifton's Blue Devils. Hale, in his second year at Fitzgerald, is expected to come through with another strong contender.

Out of the ranks of remaining SGFA towns several other likely prospects loom. Doc Harper's Thomasville Bulldogs and W.

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Red Devil Joe---

The Forgotten Man of Football

The fans shriek on Saturday. The headlines scream on Sunday and the touchdown boys hear it and see it.

Red Devil Joe hears and sees, but never his own name. He isn't known beyond the bull-pen, where all the week he has been sharpening the claws of the touchdown boys.

There are lots of Red Devil Joes hanging around the stadium on game day, burning with desire to "just sit on the bench with the boys."

If he just had a colored jersey and could sit there with the other fellows. After the game he could at least tell his girl that "a bad ankle kept coach from using me," or "he's saving me up; the risk was too great."

BUT JOE'S big Saturday thrill is sitting just as near the bench as possible and watching a play click for 15 or 20 yards. It's then that Joe's skinned map creases with a faint smile. He gets his reward from the thought, "I helped make that one go—in scrimmage Tuesday afternoon."

Red Devil Joe is Grey Devil Joe's brother. For many years he was just plain Scrub. In recent years he has gained the more dignified handle of Reserve.

He stands up and lets the varsity blockers bowl him over in pre-game practice day after day. Sometimes though he knifes through and spills the glamor gang. Sometimes he gets just plain irked and

pours it on, but the only recognition he gets from the coach is "What kinda blocking do you call that? Is that guy your roommate? C'mon lay 'em level with the grass."

Before long Joe is level with the ground. He can't keep up his pace. He gets leveled off, once, twice and again, but he comes up for more. He's still in there trying, many times without relief while the varsity pours fresh blockers against his skinned shins.

Joe's brothers are just like he is. He knows pretty well what the varsity will run. And so do his mates. The regulars don't look any too hot when Joe is clicking.

Joe, though, isn't supposed to click too well. He's supposed to play dumb. If he breaks through and pulls Hero ball-carrier No. 1 for a nine-yard loss, the coach jars the stadium with a moan.

"Who missed that guy? Why, you looked worse than a tackling dummy on that play. He shoulda been back there ten yards and spilled up to his ears."

It isn't, "Attaboy, Joe, you got 'im."

The closest Joe comes to hearing his name is "who missed that man?"

The honor for smearing that play left with the grunt of the impact.

Joe still is just Red Devil Joe. All the time, though, he believes in himself and he sees himself getting on that bench on Saturday and "maybe I'll get in if the glamor boys give out or if they pile up a big score."

So day after day from the first day to the last of practice Joe plays his role. He's cannon fodder for the varsity siege gunners. He's tough. He has to be. Otherwise he would quit. He would be of no importance to his team if he didn't have that rawhide coating.

ALMA MATER may be topping the conference. She may be riding high with Swinger Hip running for a point a minute. Muscle End may be a certain choice for an All-American berth.

You gloat, "boys we're on our way to the bowl. We've got the greatest coach and the greatest blocking, tackling, passing and running team since way back when—"

That's fine enough. Swinger and Muscle might be going to town and you might be ready to buy that round-trip ticket to the bowl—Rose, Sugar, Orange, Finger or otherwise. But what about Red Devil Joe? He'll be ready too, and perhaps will have to hitch-hike or play hide and seek with the Pullman conductor.

Joe wouldn't be mooching, though. Hasn't he been out there week after week doing his job? He made those plays click and he made Swinger swing.

Red Devil Joe is the forgotten man of the gridiron. But he plays his game, and his little game makes big games.

If you're a Joe, or if you were one back there in the good old days, you get the idea.

Keeping Up With the Coaches

JACK NIXON, Georgia Tech '38, is assistant coach at Presbyterian College, Clinton, S. C.

JIM CAVAN, Georgia '38, has taken over duties as head coach at Gainesville High School.

HENRY WAGNON, Georgia '36, joined **RUFUS GODWIN** at Commercial High, coming to his new post from Gainesville.

CECIL MOON, Oglethorpe, is making his coaching debut at Jesup High.

HENRY ALLEN, Mercer, has moved over from Jesup to Thomasville, where he is assistant to **DOC HARPER**.

BOT OWENS, Oglethorpe captain of '37, is back at his Alma Mater as assistant to **JOHN PATRICK**.

TOBE EDWARDS, old Tech star and for

several years a sports writer, has joined **RED BARRON'S** staff at Monroe.

DAVID (BUTCH) McCULLOUGH, former Georgia guard, is line coach at Marist College.

ARLINGTON KELLEY, of Dublin, assistant backfield coach at Duke in 1935-36, has been named athletic director at Dublin High School.

JOHN (STOOGE) DAVIS, former Georgia tackle, is line Coach under **SELBY BUCK** at Lanier High, succeeding **CARTER (PINKY) TOWNSEND**, also a former Bulldog tackle. Davis played at Valdosta High before entering Georgia.

WRIGHT BAZEMORE, of Fitzgerald, former Mercer star; **JOE JARDINE**, of Douglas, and **J. D. CHERRY**, of Ocilla,

have been added to the Waycross High School staff.

JAMES H. SULLIVAN, former Claxton coach, is assisting **S. R. (Red) Adams** at Glynn Academy.

VICTOR HANSARD, coach at Sylvania last year, is handling the reigns at Canton High this season.

FRANK GANTT, of Atlanta, succeeded **DANA McLENDON** as coach at Griffin High. McLendon moved to Riverside, at Gainesville, taking the place of **RED SANDERS**, who has become assistant to **JOSH CODY** at Florida.

FLETCHER SIMS, All-Southeastern quarterback last year at Tech, is assistant coach of the Baby Jackets this season.

Charlie Yates and Dorothy Kirby Carry on Georgia's Epic Golf Story

Atlanta Stars Follow Trail of Alexa Stirling and Bobby Jones

By O. B. KEELER

When it comes to home-grown products in the line of individual competitive sports, there may be states among the four dozen that composed our more or less united Union which compare with dear old Georgia in the last two decades—since golf really got to be a big-time game—but I do not personally recall them, offhand. By this of course I do not mean Georgia golf, which is as much like any other brand of American golf as possible, except that it is largely played on Bermuda turf and greens. I mean Georgia players of golf who have done time in the major leagues.

As these lines are written, Georgia will have at least one, and maybe two or three, or possibly even four, amateur competitors qualified for the great field at the Oakmont Country Club, scene of the 1938 United States Amateur Championship. Of these, Charlie Yates of old East Lake was a certainty—he didn't even have to qualify for the show, because earlier in the summer Charlie went over to Troon, Scotland, and won the British Amateur, which (as you may infer) gives him a rating.

AND AT the Women's Championship, at the Westmoreland Country Club, near Chicago, Miss Dorothy Kirby, Southern champion in 1937 and a semi-finalist in the same fixture this year, was representing Georgia, the week after the National Amateur.

Miss Kirby and Mr. Yates, then, to go no farther into the realms of speculation, are carrying on the brilliant epic story that began back in 1916, when Miss Alexa Stirling, the little redheaded Atlanta girl, won the first of her three National Championships in a row: to be followed after an interval of only two vacant years by Bobby Jones, who for eight consecutive years, from 1923 through 1930, was either Amateur or Open champion of these United States, and sometimes both at once, with three British Opens and one British Amateur thrown in as *l'aginaire*, as they call it down in New Orleans. Thirteen in all, including the Grand Slam of 1930.

As a matter of rather interesting record, the State of Georgia, the City of Atlanta, and the East Lake Country Club, in a con-

tinuous span of fifteen years, 1916 to 1930 inclusive, turned up without at least one of the Nation's major golf titles only in **TWO YEARS**; 1921 and 1922, when the Jones boy was getting organized after Alexa had won her final major title in 1920.

Sixteen of the world's major golfing crowns in a stretch of fifteen years—that is what Miss Stirling (now Mrs. W. G. Fraser of Ottawa, Canada) and Mr. Robert Tyre Jones, Jr., achieved as products of the Old Red Hills and the Bermuda fairways and greens of Georgia.

And now Charlie Yates, winning the British Amateur, has added the seventeenth major championship to the string. And this of course does not include his Western Amateur crown or the National Intercollegiate. Nothing but the biggest, in the list.

Incidentally, and in connection with Mr. Yates' expedition to Oakmont, it is interesting to reflect (especially if you are a Georgian, and more especially if you are an Atlantan and perhaps an East Laker) that the last time our National Amateur was played at the tremendous course of the Oakmont Country Club, it was won by a Georgian, Bobby Jones, and the runner-up, Watts Gunn, was a Georgian—and a fellow-club-mate at East Lake, the only time such a situation ever has obtained, in the forty-odd playings of the National Amateur.

Dorothy Kirby, one of the most brilliant and charming of all the gal-golfers of today, started out early in life, at the Capital City Country Club, and at the tender age of 13 won the Women's State Championship, thereby antedating by one year Bobby Jones' own record in the masculine State affair; Bobby was 14, when he won the first one played after its organization in 1916. She was 17 when she won the 1937 Southern Championship, defeating in the final round Estelle Lawson Page of Chapel Hill, who five months later won the National title at Memphis.

IT WOULD be an unpardonable impertinence to attempt a list of Georgia golfers who are carrying on today the epic tradition begun twenty-two years ago by Alexa Stirling and Bobby Jones. But at least Miss Kirby and Charlie Yates will be in



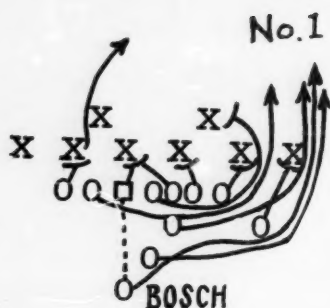
Charlie Yates

the Big Show again this year—and Georgia golf once more is in the front rank of the nation. There's something about old Georgia—golfers, certainly!

Marshallville Cagers Get Practice Jump on Foes

The Marshallville basketball squad doesn't believe in waiting for the official season. Members of Coach Dan Norris' team are already whipping the cords in practice, having opened with the first school bell. The first string is composed of Roy Windham, Doc Luckie, Alf Clay, Jack Dixon and James Miller.

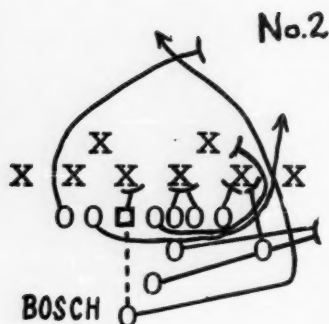
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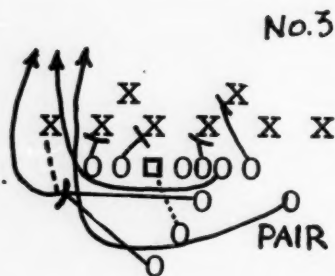
By GABE TOLBERT

The four most effective plays run by the Northern All-Stars in their game with the Southern All-Stars were (1) an end run to the right by Johnny Bosch; (2) an outside tackle play by Bosch or Cliff Kimsey; (3) a reverse with Bobby Pair carrying the ball, and (4) a straight line buck by Jimmy Hilton.



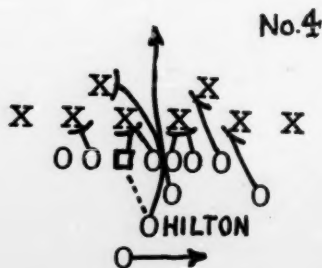
Play No. 1—This play outside the defensive end (a wide sweep) was run very effectively by Bosch because he was fast and shifty. Ralph Plaster was the wingback and blocked out the end satisfactorily. Bosch started as if he were to run inside the defensive end, then cut out wide. The blocking back and the fullback ran outside interference and the two guards moved inside the defensive end. Bosch always was a threat to run either inside or outside the defensive flankman. It was on this play that Bosch ran 61 yards in the first quarter.

Play No. 2—Bosch also was effective on a cutback play inside the defensive end. This play, of course was made stronger by his long run outside the end. The defense was worried by this threat, fearing that Bosch would sweep wide and cut back inside the defensive end. The Northern team was getting good blocking from its wingback and end, who handled the defensive tackle in good style.



Play No. 3—This reverse play, with Pair at wingback, dealt the Southern team repeated blows. Pair was getting back to the weak side so fast that he was able to rip off long gains on nearly every thrust. The play set up the threat of a spinner back into the line, and this kept the defense from getting set to stop this play.

Play No. 4—Hilton got results bucking through the line on a straight buck (see diagram) and on a spinner with a trap for the defensive guard or tackle. The straight buck worked well because the defensive guards allowed the offensive to double up on their blocking. This play was good for those badly needed short gains. The spinner clicked at times because the defensive linemen were charging fast and making themselves vulnerable to traps. The Southern team somewhat smothered this play by using their backers-up close to the line. This, however, opened the way for short passes, several of which were completed, Bosch to Goodman, between the secondary and tertiary defense.



These diagrams show four fundamental plays that were used by each of the All-Star prep teams in the first All-Star game sponsored by the Georgia Coaches Association. The Northern team, coached by Joel Hunt, of Georgia, employed the single wingback system, relying principally on running plays to defeat the Southern team, coached by W. A. Alexander, and using the short punt formation. The North All-Stars outclassed their Southern foes in the line and in the backfield.

How North Beat South

These Didn't

By BOBBY DODD

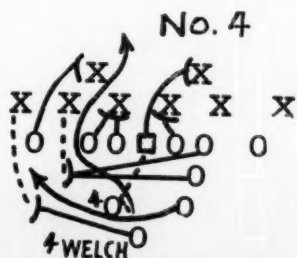
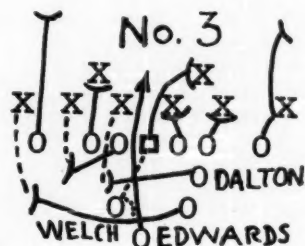
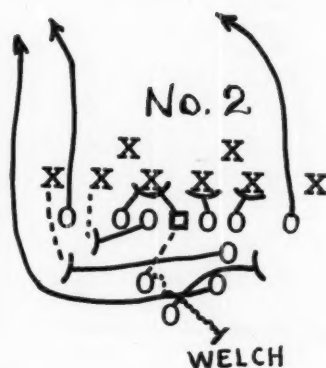
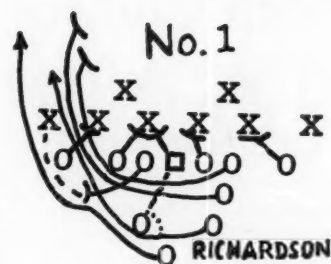
Although the Southern All-Stars failed to score from their own formations in the game at Grant Field, there were several plays that gained yardage occasionally and a pass that came close to clicking. They were (1) a reverse off tackle by Stuart Richardson; (2) a pass Nub Welch to Richardson or to the ends; (3) a mouse trap play with Edwards carrying the ball, and (4) a half-spinner by Welch inside tackle. In view of the little success with which these plays operated, it might be well to tell how they should work instead of how they actually turned out.

Play No. 1—The ball is snapped to the No. 4 back, who hands it to Richardson, No. 2 back. The right tackle and No. 1 back lead the interference and the left guard takes care of the end. However, the North's right end was not handled in the All-Star game. The result was that Richardson seldom made gains on the play. The North line was too tough for the South to box out, and that spelled doom for this play, with but few exceptions.

Play No. 2—This is a good scoring pass, when operated successfully. The ball is taken by the No. 4 back, Welch, who starts as if he will slant off-tackle. The ball is faked so that it sets defense for an off-tackle play. Instead, the receiver of the snap steps back and heaves to the No. 2 back, who has gone out and cut toward the sidelines. This pass was tried several times in the All-Star game, but never found its mark.

Play No. 3—The mouse trap play from punt formation worked for to get the North's center, backing up the line, prevented a much longer gain. Welch receives the ball at the No. 4 position and fakes to the No. 2 back, but keeps the ball hidden, then hands it to the No. 3 back, who runs through the hole made by trapping the weak side guard and tackle.

Play No. 4—The half-spinner produced little yardage for the South because of the strength of the North's tackles. On this play Welch takes the ball and fakes to the No. 2 back. The defensive tackle is let across and blocked out by the No. 1 back and the right tackle.



thus making the single wing system more effective in this particular contest. However, the North team, functioning as it did, would have had similar success with any other system, observers believed. The supplementary notes were prepared by Gabe Tolbert, Tech High coach and a member of Hunt's All-Star staff, and Bobby Dodd, back-field coach at Georgia Tech and assistant coach of the Southern All-Stars.

Watch Out for the Dark Horses in G. I. A. A. and N. G. I. C. Football Races

By JOHN MARTIN

They've already kicked off, but where they're going to land, they don't know. And nobody else does, not even the coaches.

Prep school football teams in the Georgia Interscholastic Athletic Association and the North Georgia Interscholastic Conference have dropped the barrier on races that promise to produce a pair of those get-the-hell-out-of-the-way, here-I-come, finishes that only the shadows of late November will settle. Even then, it may take an extra round or so in the form of playoffs to settle the issues.

It may be a season for the backwoods boys—the fellows who have been sitting back and seeing their more highly-publicized foes monopolize the title hunts. Some critics feel that Tech High, Boys' High and Lanier, the more recent champions, are due for a fall.

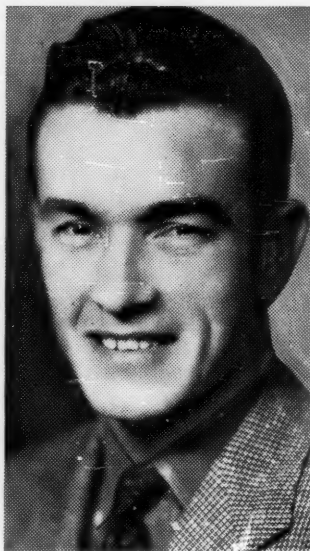
ASK THE COACHES and they'll tell you to watch out for Savannah and Richmond Academy. Others will warn of the menace of Marist and Commercial, Atlanta's dark horse nominations. Then there is Jordan High's light, but fast squad. And who can tell but that Bud Harris is planning things for a late fall surge at G. M. A.

All these outfits have their necks out, looking for silver and glory in a campaign that offers the team that gets the breaks and escapes with fewest mishaps and injuries, golden opportunities for the glory they're scrambling for.

Columbus High, which didn't figure prominently in the early season dope, has eliminated itself as a contender by booking only three league games, one under the required number to get title consideration. Monroe, Red Barron's perennial trouble maker for both G. I. A. A. and junior college teams, and Darlington were in the same class. Darlington scheduled only G. M. A.

Tech High won the rag last season, barely getting by on a couple of squeak decisions over Boys' High and Commercial. The Smithies are back with three-fourths of their backfield and practically their full first-string line gone by way of graduation. However, they loom as a formidable team, heavier and perhaps better equipped with reserve material than was the 1937 championship team.

Bobby Pair, touchdown artist and fastest prep back in the South last season, is the biggest loss suffered by Gabe Tolbert's



Art Graves, Spalding High Coach.

eleven. Carlton Lee, All-G. I. A. A. tackle, likewise will be missed. Guards Hood, Williams and DeLaney are gone, along with Ralph Plaster and Cutie Harrison, backs, and Center Tom Harrison.

TECH HIGH IS defending with a squad that should carry the Purple and Gold a long way, but an undefeated season can hardly be expected. Tolbert, who began his nineteenth season as coach of the Smithies last month, has built his backfield around Captain Harry Nicholes, who was converted from quarterback to fullback. Ben Cogburn, Frank Bonner and Dick Parks, complete the backfield foursome, with Frank Heinold, Bill Pascal, Jimmy Parks and Forrest Smith giving relief. Dick Guthrie, a fine tackle, and Moseman, veteran guard, head the linemen. Lyons and Kelley, reserves last year, are the regular ends, carrying on where the great quartet of Timberlake, Manetta, Childrey and Melvin, left off last year. West, a 200-pound newcomer, looms as a star running mate for Guthrie, and Heard is a competent center.

Having already dealt on Tech High's defending champions, let's take a glimpse at the other members of the G. I. A. A.

The N. G. I. C. is certain to have a new champion. That is, unless Griffin High, which lost not only their coach, but prac-

tically every regular, performs miracles under Frank Gantt, former Auburn star. Spalding, which shared the 1937 championship with Griffin and then defeated Moultrie for the Class B title of the state, has another powerful team. In fact, some of the other teams have found something else to do when Spalding mentioned getting together on the gridiron.

The result is that Art Graves' eleven has only three league games, not enough to place in the title running. Lagrange, Fulton and R. E. Lee are the only conference teams Spalding was able to schedule.

MARIST, A MEMBER of this loop as well as the G. I. A. A., is expected to be around the top at the end. So are Commercial and Russell High. Decatur likewise has hopes of getting in the race. Fulton and North Fulton are not considered as serious contenders, the Bulldogs having lost most of last year's varsity and Fulton being handicapped by lack of topnotch material. Lagrange, and perhaps Gainesville, figure to have impressive records. Marietta, R. E. Lee and Thomaston High were hoping to do better than last year, but observers failed to find a title contender in this trio.

Red Mattox, at Athens, may be shaping one of the chief contenders after a fairly successful campaign in 1937. However, the outcome of the N. G. I. C. race is not expected to be known until Thanksgiving. Then there may be another dogfall, with Commercial and Marist having the inside track on a basis of early season performance.

Having already considered the Tech High Smithies, let's take a look at other contenders for the G. I. A. A. championship this season:

BENEDICTINE—Coach Jack Thompson returns a veteran team of Cadets, led by a star center, Captain Harvey James. Joe Robertson and Bert Trapani are back at guards and Thompson has juggled his team to find capable performers at the other line posts. Three members of last year's regular backfield are again running. Horace Johnson, John Power, and Billy Hagain give the Cadets a three-fourths veteran quartet.

BOYS' HIGH—The Purple lost George Sabo, Ray Miller and Red Roberts from the backfield, but it is doubtful that any of them will be missed, what with Dan Greer on hand as a steadying influence for a group of high class youngsters. Frank Boykin, fullback, and Jake Cox, halfback, give Shorty Doyal's eleven the best kicking it has had in many years. Bill Conner, sophomore halfback, may be one of the standout ball-carriers of the season.

The line has lost in weight, with Jack Bond, Dick McCauley and Big Jim Brown graduated, but has picked up in speed and

rates as a stronger set of forwards than the Purple put on the field in 1937. Haslem Webb, the only veteran in the forward wall, should have a great year at center. Captain Duck Conger, star end, is an uncertain quantity, being handicapped with a twisted knee. Buddy Jarvis and Koon Kuniansky are the best of a fine group of guards, and Red Eaves and Howard Haire give Doyal capable tackles. Ed McDermott and John Brown are the top-ranking flankmen, but neither is over-educated in end play.

MONROE—Red Barron's Capitol Bowl champions will miss that famous passing combination, Howard McAbee to George Webb. The Aggies likewise lost most of their other regulars, which last year formed one of the latest prep elevens in the country at the end of the season. Barron has rebuilt his team around the Ruark brothers (Walter and J. E.), Newt Greene, Tex Williams and Van Davis. The Aggies brought national recognition to Monroe and to Georgia prep football last winter when they defeated the Washington All-Stars in the Capitol Bowl game.

RICHMOND—One of the favorites. The Cadets have trained their sights on first place and Coach Wendell Sullivan, in his second year, has whipped together a machine that may go a long way. He has installed a new system and is looking for bigger returns. Logan and Cole give Academy two long-distance booters and effective passers. Other regulars include: Robinson, Caver and Kincaid, backs; Strother, Bcome and Waller, ends; Ross, Walker and Mauldin, tackles; Young, Fitzgerald and Rossbotham, guards, and Avera and Griffin, centers.

JORDAN—Reserve material is scarce in Red Jenkins' backyard, but the little man of the Chattahoochee Valley has a starting team that packs an assortment of weapons. The Red jackets play five association teams before the season ends and are a strong threat to be in the race. They are feared by every team on their card. The following will carry most of the jackets guns: Henry Mills, Captain Joe Smith and Ace Poole, ends; Pete Page and Charles Rutland, tackles; Roscoe Span and Pot Beasley, guards; Mickey Watkins, center; and Jack Murphy, "Schnoz".

Meadows, Harold Simmons and Bill Peddy, backs.

LANIER—Always in a strong runner-up position or in the champion's seat, the Poets are back in the chase with one of those "it" squads. Selby Buck can be counted on, however, to erase much of the doubt, despite heavy losses in the backfield and line. The Poets lost 17 lettermen from the 1937 team. Ten veterans are back, but can hardly be expected to mix with the newcomers as well as they did with Nub Welch, Will Burt and company.

But have you ever seen a weak Lanier team? That means much and Buck has arranged open dates before three of his most important games, resting before his Poets tackle Boys' High, Savannah and Richmond. So let's not be too hasty to count out the Macomites. The ten lettermen back are Captain Elton Wall and Eugene Askew, guards; Frank Thomas, Richard Bryant and Tom Colbert, tackles; Wallace Lumpkin, end; Lee Coney, center; and Wiley Coleman, Earl Dunham and Elton Meaders, backs.

MARIST COLLEGE—"Give me two ends and Marist might win a game or two." That's the way Louie Van Houten tries to cover up his optimism, which his fine array of lettermen would give any coach hope for at least a fairly profitable season. The Atlanta Cadets are well equipped from tackle to tackle, and in Big Ed Ryckley might supply the best tackle of the season. Watch this team.

COLUMBUS—The Blue Devils went to the firing line with a comparatively experienced first team. Coach P. B. (Pop) Austin is in charge of a squad with two sets of forwards, but could use more backfield strength. The Imps have a helter team than last year's and should carve a better record. Among the standout performers are: Harry Boswell and Doran Reich, centers; Ed Tomlin, Red Langford, Lawrence Askew and Fred Gamble, guards; Spike Reilly, C. G. Lee and Bill Greene, tackles; Harold Watkins, Jack King, and Edward Mueche, ends, and Jimmy Douthitt, left Garrett, Arthur Wolfe, Lanier Scruggs and Clyde Ogletree, backs.

COMMERCIAL—A veteran backfield and a strong defensive set-up from tackle to tackle gives the Typists an eleven that no doubt

will claim the scalps of some of the bigger teams before the middle of next month. Captain Jack Bradford is one of the most accomplished line-busters in the business and he has support from Quarterback Casteel, and Halfbacks Elrod and Barrett, the latter a great punter.

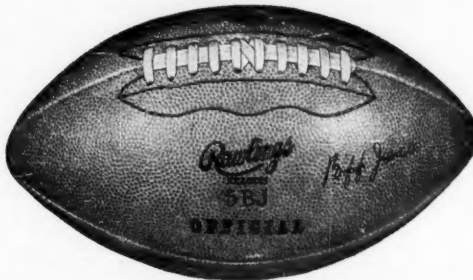
Tackles Bishop and Nash are top-notch performers and will bear the heavy work along the front, aided by Marion McGill and Eugene Everett, guards; Bill McGill and Jackson, ends; and Ed Sheppard, a splendid pivot man. Rufus Godwin's boys play eight G. I. A. A. foes, more than any other member. The Typists likewise will have something to say about the N. G. I. C. title, being a member of this group as well as the Class A loop.

GEORGIA MILITARY ACADEMY—Bud Harris again is building from scratch, returning only a half-dozen lettermen. Johnny Bosch, All-G. I. A. A. quarterback and sensation of the All-Star game in August, is at Tech and his graduation left the Cadets without a veteran field general. Harris has a big line, built around Gurley and Monsees, a pair of fine ends. However, it is green and it remains to be seen whether it can stand the knocks of a requiring schedule, which includes four league skirmishes. Fee is the only experienced ball-carrier in the Cadet ranks, while Bethea is one of the other few experienced men. The team is a question mark.

SAVANNAH—Twenty veterans were among the 110 candidates answering the bell for the opening practice under Coach Andy Morrow. That should be the tip-off of the prospects of the Blue Jackets from the coast. The former Petrel star, in his second year at Savannah after succeeding John Varnedoe, has hopes of producing a winner. Despite the loss of Jimmy Tuten, star back, the jackets have plenty of substantial attacking power. Captain Raymond Finney is the leading leather-lugger of a quartet that includes besides himself, John Way, Carl Walker and "Onion" Durant. Ralston Woods and Phillip Salkin are other fancy-steppers. A heavy veteran line gives the Geechie little worry in this department. Hugh Miller, alternate captain is the star of a group that includes John Carrellas, Fred Cuten, George Tabakian, Butch Lehwald, James Bentley, Hubert Cark, Fred Lightsey and Jim Bruce.



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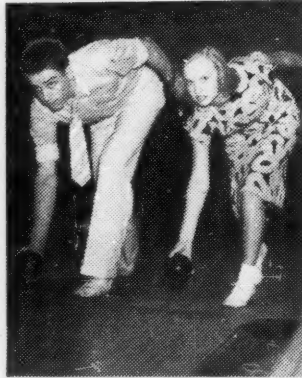
By ED PLANT

Interest in bowling by students has grown by leaps and bounds in the past two years throughout Georgia, with many of the schools having teams participating in league or tournament competition.

This added interest is due in some measure to the general increase in enthusiasm shown by bowlers throughout the country, the special price offered to students by many bowling establishments and the fact that athletic directors of schools recommend this sports activity to the student bodies.

SOME SCHOOLS have given the students credit for bowling competition, similar to credits allowed for minor sports. An earnest appeal has been expressed by student bowlers in many of the cities of the state that this sport be accepted as an accredited athletic activity.

The University of Georgia Evening School, at Atlanta, encourages participation in sports. It gives credit for and re-



Carl Tidwell, Jr., and Miss Mildred Lea, state junior bowling champions of 1938.

quires a certain number of hours of active sports competition during the school year. Last year bowling was added to the list of accepted sports activities, by the athletic director of the school, and signed cards acknowledging the bowling were given to the students by officials of bowling centers at which games were bowled.

Several schools had supervised instruction, by their Athletic Directors, at bowling centers. Mrs. Parry, of Girls' High, in Atlanta, and Miss Dorothy Fugitt, of North Avenue Presbyterian School, were present one afternoon of each week as the girls from their schools took part in league competition.

More than 100 girls were represented in the Wednesday afternoon competition of the Girls' High School last season, while North North Avenue Presbyterian had 70 girls bowling weekly.

While these schools confined their competition to their student bodies, others were active in organized league competition with from six to eight different schools represented.

This prep school bowling unearthed several players that are certain to be outstanding bowlers in the very near future.

Miriam Nicholson, of Girls' High, was outstanding in league play throughout the year. In the first Junior Tournament, staged for prep school bowlers of Atlanta, Miss Nicholson won the gold medal for top "all events" total with a score of 306 in

the singles, 312 in the doubles and 277 on the team. With three games bowled in each event her total was 895 for an average of 99, against a field of 108 contestants.

Miss Nicholson's 306 was the winning singles score and paired with Mary Bishop rolled 583 to win the doubles. The Girl's High No. 1 team, composed of Martha Shealy, Harriet Wilkie, Helen Boone, Mary Bishop and Miriam Nicholson, won the team event in the girls' division.

IN THE BOYS' event, Jake Ewing, of Boys' High; Luke Darnell, of Tech High; Richard Trippe, of Marist; Scott Reynolds of Bass Junior High (the twelve year old "hook ball" wonder) and Dan Zoll, of North Avenue Presbyterian, won trips to the state tournament at Columbus last May. Jake Ewing's 324 won the singles award, Billy Russell, Boys' High, and Luke Darnell, Tech, won the doubles with 636. The Boys'

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Vandy, Wave, Vols and Auburn Rated High

By KENNETH GREGORY

Football fans of the deep south may gird themselves for one of the most strenuously-waged campaigns the Southeastern Conference has experienced and when championship spoils are awarded should not be unduly alarmed if Alabama's Crimson Tide steals the show.

Advance reports from every sector hail the crimson-shirted proteges of Skipper Frank Thomas as the team to beat for the 1938 championship, but carry a warning that the Tide, which may resume the title of Red Elephants come the season's end, will find it no easy matter to win the crown.

PERHAPS NOT in the five years the Southeastern has existed have indications pointed to so many strong elevens, with Alabama's chief contention coming from Louisiana State, Vanderbilt, Auburn, Tennessee and Mississippi, which pulled a major upset by caging the Bayou Tigers in the first game of the season. This victory placed the Rebels in the spotlight and established them as a serious threat to give the more highly-favored teams a brisk struggle.

The 1938 season may find every team among the Big 13 improved considerably over last year. Certainly Florida, Mississippi, Mississippi State, Kentucky will be as strong, if not more potent. Sewanee's hopes again are very problematical.

Most likely, the University of Florida will present the most improved team, but whether the 'Gators, with many sophomores counted on heavily, can muster the necessary power to edge into the championship running is a question that only progress of the season will answer.

Alabama won the conference crown last year, barely escaping defeat at the hands of Tulane, Georgia Tech and Vanderbilt, and then went westward to drop its first Rose Bowl decision in six appearances in the Tournament of Roses.

The Crimson Tide will be stronger this campaign. Even the usually taciturn Thomas admits more weight for his charges, but in the same breath says he doesn't see how Alabama can come up to its 1937 record.

From this distant outpost, the writer casts the prediction that Vanderbilt will offer Alabama its most dangerous threat

to title hopes. Right close behind those two elevens we would rank Tennessee and Auburn. These teams appear "set" for the campaign, but a few "bad breaks" might spoil the outlook for any of them.

THE SCHEDULE offers a very interesting array of games, a listing that undoubtedly should see the season's end offer an outright title winner, for under the program it appears unlikely any single team may go through unbeaten.

For instance, Alabama meets three of the ranking teams, Vanderbilt, Tennessee and Tulane, in addition to Georgia Tech and Kentucky. Louisiana State plays four of the higher listed elevens, Vanderbilt, Tennessee, Auburn and Tulane. Louisiana State also plays Mississippi State.

Auburn's Plainsmen clash with Tulane, Tennessee and Louisiana State of the top fliers, and also engages Georgia Tech, Mississippi State, Georgia and Florida, plus intersectionals with Rice and Villanova. The Plainsmen, coached by Jack Meagher, play every game away from home and that's no concerting outlook, what with the opposition faced.

Three of the apparently stronger elevens, Alabama, Tennessee and Louisiana State, will be played by Vanderbilt, which also has games with Georgia Tech and Kentucky. Tulane catches Auburn, Alabama and Louisiana State, along with an intersectional fray with Rice and others with North Carolina and Clemson, two Southern Conference standouts.

The University of Tennessee plays four rankers, Auburn, Alabama, Vanderbilt and Louisiana State, but otherwise the program offers little uninviting difficulty for the Volunteers.

GENERALLY, the writer looks for a conference season lacking some of the wide-open tactics so prevalent last year. Bob Neyland of Tennessee has hinted he may go in more strongly for "open" play if his boys seem adapted to that style of football.

The veteran Bill Alexander of Georgia Tech, who introduced the "razzle-dazzle" to conference competition two years ago, says he will have to slack up on that phase of attack. He lost his mainstay ends who

snagged forwards and converted them into pay-off laterals. Then, too, he lost one of the South's best passers in Fletcher Sims.

"Speed" undoubtedly will be the keynote of most attacks this Fall, with short forwards and laterals. There will very likely be a lack of forward-laterals in most games.

Carl Hinkle Begins Career as Soldier

Carl Hinkle, all-American center at Vanderbilt in 1937, enrolls at the United States Military Academy this fall, but is ineligible to play football because of the Army's new three-year rule. He may be assistant coach of the plebe eleven.

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Minor Rules Changes This Season Give Boost to Game's Offense

By T. L. JOHNSON

There have been very few changes in football rules in recent years.

The several changes that have been made by the rules makers, however, have tended to open up the game, and in most instances, have resulted in the offense getting what you might call another leg up.

In 1936 a change affecting a kicked ball was adopted, giving the kicking team the power to advance the ball. Briefly, the rule is: A ball kicked from scrimmage, which for any reason does not cross the line of scrimmage, may be recovered and advanced by any player of either team. Under the old rules players on the kicking team could not advance a kicked ball. This ruling applies only to kicks which do not cross the line of scrimmage. The kicking team may recover, but not advance, a kicked ball that goes beyond the scrimmage line.

The rule regarding appearance of teams on the field also was changed in 1936, making the teams assume responsibility for prompt arrival before the start of the game and at the start of the second half, without notification from officials.

Failure to arrive on time costs a team 15 yards. The ball must be put in play by a kick-off, the optional clause as to the method of beginning after such a penalty has been enforced, having been written out of the rules.

THE RULE on fouling a kicker was modified two years ago, ironing out a difficulty which often confronted officials. The supplement explains that if contact with a tackler is caused by the kicker's motion, or if it is slight, the penalty need not be enforced. This calls for the official to use his discretion after considering the conditions that cause the contact.

Another change in 1936 was the rule covering forward pass interference. It was revised in such a way that if ineligible players are in advance of the spot where the pass becomes completed, incompleting or intercepted, they are just as guilty of interference as in other manners prescribed. The spot is established by an imaginary line across the field bisecting the spot

where the pass is caught, grounded, or intercepted.

The most important rule change in 1937 was that with reference to kick-offs out of bounds. This change gave the receiving team the option of putting the ball in play, after a kick-off out of bounds, either on its 35-yard line or at a point ten yards (now fifteen) in from where it went out of bounds, whichever is to its advantage.

Of further interest was the compulsory ruling as to numerals on the front and back of players' jerseys. A new supplemental note on forward pass play also was included in 1937, calling attention to the fact that defensive players have as much right to the ball as eligible opponents, and that bodily contact, however severe, between players making a "simultaneous and bona fide effort" to catch or knock down the ball shall not be considered as interference. Coaches who claimed that the defense against pass play was stifled because of the hesitancy of a defensive man to go up after the ball were glad to have this change.

The rules also were defined as to what constituted kicking a free ball, the clarification stating that the ball must be struck by the shoe to incur a penalty. The ball being struck by another part of the players' body is to be treated as though the ball has been touched. Another clarification on this rule provided that the player's foot must be moving in the direction of the ball. An inadvertent touching the ball by the heel of the shoe in going down field, for instance, would not be penalized.

There were only two changes of the rules in 1938, to be effective for the present football season.

The first change pertains to forward passes over the goal line. Any incomplete pass over the goal line is treated in the same manner as though it struck the ground in the field of play, except a fourth down incomplete pass, which is, of course, a touchback.

THE OTHER change brings the ball in fifteen yards from the side line when it goes out of bounds or becomes dead within fifteen yards of the side line, instead of ten yards, as heretofore. These changes both tend to open up the offensive play. In the past a second incomplete pass over

the goal line meant a touchback. The offense can now throw a pass on any or all of a series of downs (four), only an incomplete pass on fourth down being ruled a touchback.

The defense thus will not be able to mass for line play, as has been the case in the past, after one incomplete pass over the goal line has been made. No doubt many more goal line passes will be attempted and more touchdowns will be made, both on forward passes and on plays through the line with the defense set up for passes.

With reference to the ball being moved in from the sideline fifteen yards instead of ten yards, as has been the custom in past seasons, this change also will aid the offense, as a running play or any other may be called toward the side line as effectively as toward the center of the field.

Mitchell Heads South Georgia Grid Officials

Orion Mitchell, of Tifton, is the new president of the South Georgia Officials Association, succeeding B. D. Lee, of Albany, who headed the organization in 1935 and 1937. Mitchell was elected at the first fall meeting of the organization at Moultrie.

The following were re-elected for another year: Turner Rockwell, Valdosta, secretary-treasurer; Raymond Holt, Americus, vice-president; and Heeth Varnedoe, Thomasville, and Eddie Zant, Valdosta, members of the executive board. The association holds two meetings each month during the season.

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First Year Man

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and were destined to make good.

Twenty-five years ago it was much easier to make a team than it is now. Less than 50 per cent of the players had never played in high school. Fifteen years ago I would say that 20 per cent of the players were inexperienced. I doubt that more than 2 per cent of present day college players are without previous experience.

This means that we expect more of a freshman now than we did even ten years ago.

One of the things that always cheers me is for a man to show an early tendency to stay in the play—following the ball or the man with the ball. One of the great faults of players even after they have made the grade on the varsity is to be contented to stay on the ground, and out of the play, once they have been spilled. I like to see a man get up and make an effort to stay in there after taking a spill. J. L. (Shorty) Brooks, guard on the present Tech team, is this type of player. This little fellow has an amazing amount of determination to get up and keep going after he is knocked to the ground.

Too many players fresh out of high school ranks are willing to stay on the grass after they have missed a tackle or after they have been blocked out. This habit, along with poor footwork, appears to be the greatest weakness of inexperienced linemen.

We have already looked at the weaknesses of backfield men. Much of their poor tackling is because of their ignorance of technique. They have a tendency to lower their heads and to watch the feet of an approaching runner instead of keeping their heads up. In blocking, it is a matter of leg drive. I always try to impress it upon my new men that a tackler cannot be taken completely and convincingly out of a play without plenty of leg drive being put into the effort by the blocker.

Although it is not necessary to be a sprinter to make a football team, we expect our players to know how to utilize to the greatest advantage the natural speed that they have. They should be able to go at their maximum speed for at least 30 yards.

Of course, if a freshman expects to click in college, he must report with an open mind. That is, he must be willing to listen to orders, and above all, he should be confident enough to believe he has the makings of a varsity player.

Punter vs. Kicker - - - Hunt

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punting game. I had fair success my sophomore and junior years at Texas A. & M., but it was not until my senior year, 1927, that I came close to doing a job of punting that gave me that perfectly satisfied feeling. And this came after what my coach, Dana X. Bible, said after we had beaten Southern Methodist, 39-13, in a Southwest conference championship game.

In that game I was kicking to—or away from—Jerry Mann, a swift safety man. As luck would have it, I managed to eliminate all returns by kicking away from Mann. This, of course, was not all a result of out-of-bounds punting, but was abetted by fast and intelligent coverage by my ends. Bible told me that I had done the best job of precision punting he had ever seen up to that time. I was more pleased with that little back slap than I was with beating the Methodists.

Since my first year in the coaching game back in 1928 at Marshall Junior College, Texas, I have stressed what I call possession to possession punting.

For example, if a kicker boots one over the goal line from the fifty, he has kicked 50 yards and got distance. If he kicks out at the ten he has kicked 40 yards. Actually, though, his 50-yard kick is good for only 30 yards, as the ball is brought out to the 20. The 40-yard kick is good for 50 yards. That is, it reduces the receiving team's attacking opportunities by one, as it is ten yards nearer its goal, where ordinarily they will kick one down earlier than at the 20.

IF YOU LOOK at a diagram of a football game in your Sunday paper you see a series of lines going up and down the field. It's largely a picture of swapping punts. The punter that gets the best profit from his boots is giving his team a chance to execute more plays per series. Thus he gives his team longer possession of the ball and more scoring opportunities.

Too, he is doing what Baugh and Mickal did in that Sugar Bowl classic. He is cutting down the opportunities of the opposition.

In possession to possession punting, I have figured that each ten-yard advantage furnishes one more scoring chance. Last

year at L. S. U. we figured that we had a 470-yard advantage over the opposition up to the Sugar Bowl game. That meant that our punters had given the Tigers approximately 47 more scoring chances than they otherwise would have had.

It is wiser to map a definite plan of kicking BEFORE going into a game. I always have a talk with my quarterback and punters before the game gets under way, comparing punters and safety men on our team and those of the opposition. Preparation before the game means much. It forestalls doubt in a player's mind and might avert costly mistakes in the game.

It has often been said that kickers or punters are born, not developed. Well, a kicker might be born and yet never develop into an effective punter, I believe. Every kicker cannot be taught to become a punter. He might have great potential ability, but lack of interest, application and inspiration will prevent his getting out of that groove from which he must spring to become a master.

A PUNTER has the ability to get out of this groove. He has complete control and coordination of muscle and mind and might be compared to an artist who reaches the heights, while a kicker is in the same league with one who wastes fine paint and brushes with dabs that mean nothing.

The elements that figure in precision punting are (1) intuition, which is the mind; (2) hand, which means preparation; and (3) foot, which is execution. The punter automatically makes these function at the right time and in the right direction. The kicker might and might not.

A kicker often is put under terrific strain. He often has to kick when opposing linemen are bearing down on him. It is easier to execute a punt with power when the pressure is on. The ball might go 60 yards once, but again it might go to the sidelines. So to insure consistency a kicker must forget the strain and relax mentally, making himself oblivious to mistakes or possible disaster.

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Bowling Rolls

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High A team won the boys' team event in the city pin meet for juniors.

A few of the outstanding bowlers in the boys' division at Columbus High and Jordan High, in Columbus, include "Bubber" Flournoy, Billy Cumba, Livingston Jones, David Lewis, Horace Edmond and "Tiny" Hicks, with many others showing signs of developing into top-flight pinmen.

In the girls' division at Columbus High, May Pearce, Ann Renfroe, Rebecca Horne, Ida Ruth Renfroe, Ellen Thomas, Mary Brinson and Marjorie Haddock turned in top averages last season.

Carl Tidwell, Jr., of Darlington School, was outstanding for the Rome and Darlington High Schools in competitive play. Mildred Lea, also of Rome, won the state junior championship for girls, while Tidwell was the boys' champion.

Rome and Atlanta tied for first and second places in the State Junior Tournament, with Columbus placing third, in the first event of this type. It was acclaimed a successful venture by officials of the tournament.

C. C. Reynolds, of Augusta, and Joe Massey, of Macon, registered a substantial amount of interest in prep school bowling in their cities. Marietta, Americus, LaGrange and other Georgia cities reported more interest in junior competition last year than in any previous season.

THE COLLEGES have had organized competition in bowling for several years. Emory, Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia have their fraternity leagues.

A great amount of interest was attached to the championship match between the winning fraternity team of the Georgia Tech league and the winning team of the University of Georgia league last season, with the Georgia Bulldogs emerging as the victors, winning possession of the Rich's trophy for intercollegiate competition.

South Georgia

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T. Edwards' Tifton Blue Devils certainly will be in the running. Henry Allen, former Mercer demon, who coached last year at Jesup, has been added to the Thomasville coaching staff.

Americus, Cairo, Jesup, Douglas, Bainbridge and Cordele may find with early season games that they have darkhorse teams that will give the favorites all sorts

of trouble. Out of the latter group may come a titleholder.

Practically all of the SGFA teams have been provided with improved playing fields, most of which have been lighted for night games. This improvement is believed to be largely responsible for the tremendous increase in attendance at high school games.

AN EXAMPLE of the growing popularity of the night sport was last year's game between Waycross and Brunswick, at Waycross, when there were more than 4,000 paid admissions on a night when mud was several inches deep in parts of the field and with a steady rain falling throughout the game.

Motorcades are organized for headline games, and South Georgia challenges any section of the country to equal its inter-scholastic football enthusiasm.

J. K. (Doc) Harper, of Thomasville, dean of high school coaches in this section of Georgia, has served as the SGFA's only president. After serving for two years, he was re-elected last year over his own vigorous protest, with Jack Finklea of Americus as vice-president, and Dr. A. G. Cleveland of Valdosta as secretary-treasurer. The executive board included B. W. Rushton of Waycross, Harold McKnabb of Albany and E. D. "Frog" Palmer of Cordele.

Unquestionably the success of the SGFA program during the past several years has rested on the strength of the executive branch of the association, with valuable aid from two auxiliary units: the SGFA Officials Association, and the press of the area. A fine spirit of sportsmanship has prevailed, and football has been improved at a remarkably fast rate.

The leading pass-catcher and the leading passer of the National Football league can't get together. In 1937 Sammy Baugh of the Redskins led the passers while Gaynell Tinsley of the Cards caught the most aeriels.

All-Star Game

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loose for his first long run that set the stage for the tying touchdown."

Ed Danforth, Conductor of Ear to the Ground in The Atlanta Georgian, devoted his entire column the Sunday after the game to indorsement of the classic. He humorously hailed the game as a big success because there were no political talks within an earshot of Grant Field.

Here are excerpts from his remarks:

"Not a drum was heard—not a political drum was whacked—at a gathering of 7,000 people at Grant Field Friday night.

"A loud-speaker was at hand, a particularly effective loud-speaker, that boomed clearly through the fetid air, yet nary a politician intoned a plea over it to vote for So and So, and beat So and So who had the brass to ask the suffrage of the people of Jaw-jah.

"That made the All-Star High School game the most delightful assembly staged since away back yonder before the boys began begging the citizens of Georgia to let them stay at, or get up to, the public trough.

"**THE GOING** is tough these days, especially for a man who has made up his mind long since about how he is going to vote. One cannot turn on the radio unless he hears the sing-song tones of a gentleman telling him in no better than fair English how to vote. One cannot attend a barbecue without having his Brunswick stew served with a slice of roasted candidate on the side. Cornerstones cannot be laid, foundations cannot be dug, electric light switches cannot be turned on, bridges cannot be opened without allotting time to some patriot to ask for his old job back, or for the incumbent be fired for his benefit.

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the casket at a funeral and address his friends and neighbors on the state of the republic.

"That is just one reason why the All-Star High School football game at Grant Field Friday night was a delightful affair.

"It was a great success from another standpoint. This is what Coach W. A. Alexander of Georgia Tech, host to the visiting high school players, said at the farewell luncheon for the Georgia State Athletic Coaches' Association annual clinic Saturday:

"The outstanding feature of the week to me was the way the high school players conducted themselves here. We were apprehensive at first about how so many boys from different sections of the state would behave when turned loose, so to speak, in Atlanta for a week.

"The hotel management reported they were orderly and quiet. I know they were prompt in reporting for practice at our field. They had free access to our equipment room and training quarters for a week, yet a check-up this morning revealed they had damaged nothing and not even a towel was missing. Boys will be boys, I know, but sometimes they act like men. These Georgia high school players were little men here, and we are proud of them. It reflects credit upon their training at home and at school."

COACH ALEXANDER, who coached the South Georgia team, added that the boys actually reported in condition, indicating they had taken their selection as stars seriously. They were willing to drill through hot weather morning and afternoon every day. Coach Joel Hunt of Georgia, who coached the North Georgia team, echoed Coach Alexander's sentiments. They agreed that the character-building values of football have not been over-emphasized.

"Georgia coaches need have no hesitation

about continuing their clinic and all-star demonstration game as far as Atlanta is concerned. The game will be welcomed next year, for it really was a good show.

"I have seen similar all-star games in Texas and Louisiana," Joel Hunt, coach of the victorious Northern team said, "but this one beat them all for action. The boys were intelligent and well conditioned. They learned their plays rapidly and executed them well."

"The game drew a bigger crowd than some college games draw here during the regular season and even at a small admission price it netted enough to pay for the clinic."

The clinic is here to stay. The All-Star

game is established and now that it has proved its place as a bonafide contest between high-spirited boys it is certain to grow in popularity. The clinic is no soap-bubble dream. It has been tried in Texas, Louisiana and other states, rising to a prominent place in the athletic set-up of both high schools and colleges. It naturally affects the latter because high schools feed material to the colleges. The boom of football in the Lone Star state has been attributed to its coaching clinics.

Louisiana has experienced the same success. And now Georgia joins hands in a movement which promises to reflect its benefits in the players that graduate into college ranks. They are the future stars of the Varsity.

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SPLIT MINUTES

By DWIGHT KEITH

THE MOST encouraging news, and what might be regarded as big news, is the announcement that Coach Frank Thomas, of Alabama, and Coach W. A. Alexander, of Tech, have accepted invitations to conduct classes at next year's clinic, which this year was such a tremendous success. Alexander was on this year's staff. The addition of Thomas gives Georgia coaches the privilege of learning some of the finer points from one of the nation's outstanding men in the profession.

THE COACHES in charge of the August session really put out. The fellows who attended the classes got an earful and will be back for more next year.

WALLACE BUTTS, of Georgia, was the hard rock of the program. He liked his work in big doses—and saw to it that the Northern linemen got a similar share.

ELMER LAMPE, of Georgia, came through with his basketball classes in great style, despite the fact that he had not fully recovered from a major operation.

CARROLL TINSLEY, of the Homerville faculty, has written to this magazine requesting aid in obtaining games for his

six-man football team. This sport is growing in smaller schools and anyone desiring to schedule games may contact Tinsley at Homerville, Ga.

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COACHES ARE asked to notify this corner of any change of addresses. A coaches' directory will be run in this magazine in a forthcoming issue.

THE ALL-STAR players will be selected next year by two committees. The Southern committee will be composed of the Directors of districts 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8. The directors of districts 4, 5, 7, 9 and 10 will select the Northern squad. A director may appoint any football coach in his district to serve on this committee in his place if he wishes. Coaches should mail a list of their

senior players to the committee, so their weekly performances may be recorded.

WE ARE NOW able to pay expenses of committeemen for attending called meetings. Checks have been mailed to members of the committee for attending the last two meetings. This will be continued in the future and should result in better attendance at meetings.

THE EXECUTIVE council voted honorary life membership to two of our group who have been promoted to principalships. John Varnedoe, of Savannah, and B. D. Lee, of Albany, have been for years a credit and honor to the profession. The Association recognizes this and has honored them by awarding life memberships in the Georgia Athletic Coaches' Association.

ANY announcements by coaches or officials, or items of interest by anyone, will be welcomed by The Georgia Coach & Athlete.

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